

## Message Text

SECRET

PAGE 01 ISLAMA 06900 260834Z

15 S

ACTION NEA-16

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 PM-07 NSC-07 SP-03 SS-20 RSC-01 CIAE-00

INR-11 NSAE-00 SSO-00 CCO-00 NSCE-00 ACDA-19 SAJ-01

AEC-11 AECE-00 SCI-06 PRS-01 IO-14 DRC-01 INRE-00

/119 W

----- 128929

O 181318Z JUL 74 ZFF-4

FM AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 5859

S E C R E T ISLAMABAD 6900

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, PK

SUBJECT: PRESIDENT NIXON'S LETTER OF JUNE 24 TO BHUTTO

1. FOREIGN SECRETARY SHAHI JUST CALLED TO INQUIRE AS TO WHETHER I COULD OBTAIN PERMISSION FOR USE BY AZIZ AHMED IN NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, IF NECESSARY, OF PRESIDENT NIXON'S LETTER OF JUNE 24, 1974 TO BHUTTO ON THE SUBJECT OF INDIA'S NUCLEAR TEST. UPON RETURN TO THE OFFICE AND RE-READING THE TEXT OF THE LETTER, I CALLED HIM BACK SAYING THAT I WANTED TO UNDERSTAND MORE JUST HOW THEY WOULD USE IT, TELLING HIM OF MY OWN DOUBT THAT WE WOULD WANT TO MAKE PUBLIC FACT THAT STUDIES WERE UNDERWAY WITHIN OUR GOVERNMENT ON THIS ISSUE. HE SAID HE UNDERSTOOD THIS POINT BUT HOPED WE WOULD NOT HAVE ANY OBJECTIONS AS REGARDS PARAGRAPHS ONE AND THREE AS THE LATTER WAS ESSENTIALLY DRAWN FROM THE COMMUNIQUE OF THE BHUTTO STATE VISIT. I SAID I WOULD ASK FOR AUTHORITY TO LET AZIZ AHMED MAKE AN ORAL STATEMENT BASED ON CONTENTS OF PARAGRAPH ONE AND PARAGRAPH THREE OF THE LETTER.

2. I HOPE YOU CAN QUICKLY OBTAIN AGREEMENT TO SOME FORMULA SUCH AS I AM SUGGESTING AND THAT I CAN OBTAIN THE WORD BY LATE MORNING HERE TOMORROW. IN PROCESS PLEASE

SECRET

SECRET

PAGE 02 ISLAMA 06900 260834Z

CONSIDER WHETHER YOU COULD GRANT ORIGINAL REQUEST OF

SHAHI THAT THEY COULD USE ENTIRE CONTENTS OF THE LETTER.  
BYROADE

NOTE BY OC/T: MESSAGE IS EIGHT DAYS OLD AND WAS DELAYED IN  
TRANSMISSION.

SECRET

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01 JAN 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** PUBLICATIONS, DIPLOMATIC COMMUNICATIONS, NUCLEAR TESTS  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 18 JUL 1974  
**Decaption Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** ShawDG  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1974ISLAMA06900  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** GS  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Film Number:** D740203-0088  
**From:** ISLAMABAD  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1974/newtext/t19740739/aaaabguk.tel  
**Line Count:** 65  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM  
**Office:** ACTION NEA  
**Original Classification:** SECRET  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 2  
**Previous Channel Indicators:**  
**Previous Classification:** SECRET  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** n/a  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** ShawDG  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 18 APR 2002  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <18 APR 2002 by garlanwa>; APPROVED <27 MAR 2003 by ShawDG>  
**Review Markings:**

Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
30 JUN 2005

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** PRESIDENT NIXON'S LETTER OF JUNE 24 TO BHUTTO  
**TAGS:** PFOR, PK, (NIXON, RICHARD M), (BHUTTO, ALI)  
**To:** STATE  
**Type:** TE  
**Markings:** Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005